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Sir.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Official Action in this application, mailed on <u>April 27, 2005</u>, and having an original period for response of <u>one month</u>, which expired on <u>May 27, 2005</u>, be extended by <u>three</u> months, such that it expires on <u>August 27, 2005</u>.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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